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The Mountains of Majeed

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The Mountains of Majeed, Installation view
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The Victory Column of Enduring Freedom, Razor wire and Aggregate
Afghanistan is the home of Afghans; It is the home of the brave and courageous. Foreigners won’t be able to weaken it by force; This is the home of Mirwais’ sons.  
These people defeated Brydon’s armies;  
This is the home of Macnaghten’s murderers. 
They gave an embarrassing defeat to the Russians; Gromov admits that this is the home of victors. 
Tribes and clans are found here; This is the home of the Hazaras and Turkmen. Tajiks, Uzbeks, Pashtuns and Baluch; 
This is the home of devoted Afghans as well. These mountains are ours and we belong to these mounts; This is the home of the eagles. Jackals can’t hold out here; This is the home of Allah’s great lions. Ahmad Shah’s sword did not cool down yet; 
This is the home of the followers of the right religion. These are the sons of Ghouri and Ghaznawi; 
This is the home of those heroes. Great Jamaluddin Afghan; 
This is the home of his followers. These people give their heads for their religion; This is the home of Islam’s servants. The invading forces will eventually leave; This is the home of strong heroes.

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